



Adventure Travel

KarmaQuest is based in Half Moon Bay, California. Owners Karma Lama and Wendy Brewer Lama bring together decades of experience and contacts in the fields of Himalayan adventure travel and ecotourism.

KarmaQuest trips visit sites where Wendy and Karma and their conservation and community-service partners have helped nurture ecotourism development, allowing travelers to learn first-hand about the host culture and lifestyle. Such visits break down cross-cultural barriers and enable both hosts and guests to make new international friendships. Local home-stay operators, village nature guides, tour operators and conservation groups benefit from KarmaQuest visits from direct payment for services and from KarmaQuest and client donations, supporting local conservation initiatives and social service outreach programs with much needed revenue. Lectures and field studies with local experts and professionals enhance the learning experiences.

Conservation Travel

Traveling with KarmaQuest is much more than a holiday adventure: it is helping to conserve the natural environment, endangered wildlife, and our world's rich cultural heritage by supporting conservation and sustainable tourism.

KarmaQuest specializes in Custom Designed trips and Travel Consultations, helping you plan a one-of-a-kind travel experience. We operate a wide range of trips, from treks and mountaineering expeditions to cultural tours and educational programs. We are expert in Himalayan trekking and leaders in ecotourism; our decades of working with in-country NGO partners in Central, South and SouthEast Asia enable us to offer you unique trips tailored to your or your organization's particular interests. Please look inside at our scheduled Trips. Or share your dream destination with us, and we'll be happy to design an itinerary just for you.



Educational Trips



KarmaQuest Ecotourism and Adventure Travel organizes educational travel and service learning trips that build upon its owners Wendy and Karma Lama's combined 40 years of experience working and living in Asia.

Drawing upon their vast network of international and local development and conservation experts, and working with community, private and government ecotourism partners, KarmaQuest designs and operates experiential and academic study tours to Asia, combining classroom instruction with outdoor learning, field research and participation in service projects.

KarmaQuest also develops specialized trips for professional and member organizations including the Snow Leopard Conservancy, The Mountain Institute, the National Tropical Botanical Gardens, and others. These fully customized trips bring together experts from around the world to exchange ideas and resources on a selected topic.

Partnerships for Conservation and Community Service



KarmaQuest partners with non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and community-based non-profits around the world that are working to conserve the natural environment and cultures and to improve people's lives in the places we visit.

We invest financially and in other ways (e.g., donations of equipment, assisting in developing networking contacts, leadership and capacity building, etc.) in these partners, helping them manage the impacts of tourism and address basic health and economic needs of local communities. Our trip members visit partner NGO projects to learn more about their work, and so that our guests can contribute through purchases, memberships and/or donations.

KarmaQuest also organizes and operates accredited university study trips, working closely with university professors to design curriculae and organize field learning exercises.

Custom Designed Trips



Nepal is back on travelers' radar, and KarmaQuest's decades of experience in Nepal enable us to offer unique travel experiences that also help disadvantaged Nepalis. Our "Cultures, Arts and Wonders of Nepal Benefiting Paropakar Orphans" takes you to some of our favorite spots around the Kathmandu and Pokhara Valleys, including several World Heritage Sites, and on a mountain flight for a bird's eye view of Mt. Everest.

A highlight of the trip is a visit to Paropakar Orphanage in Kathmandu. KarmaQuest has a long-standing relationship with Paropakar and Virtue's Children Nepal, a charitable organization that will oversee the delivery of your generous educational scholarship funds to some of Nepal's neediest children.

KarmaQuest is also a founding member of the Half Moon Bay Coastsides Chamber of Commerce & Visitors' Bureau Coastsides Eco-Tourism program. Please visit the website to learn more about how your visit to the Half Moon Bay/San Mateo coast (California) -- our home town -- can help support local businesses that are conserving the area's unique cultural heritage and fragile ecosystem.



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